

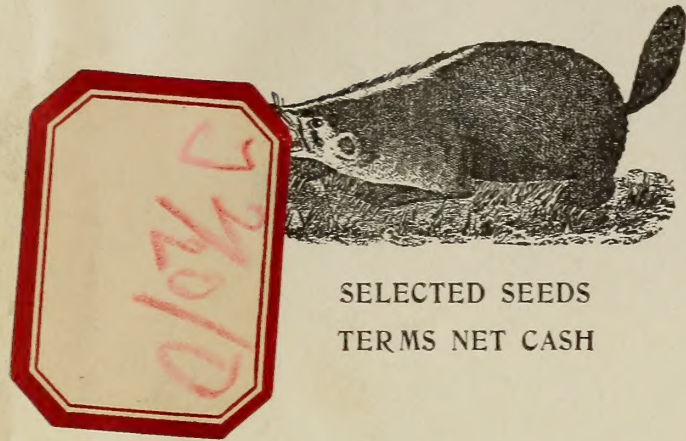
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CROP REPORT

TO OUR MANY FRIENDS:

Never in the history of our firm's forty-seven years' experience have we gathered such fine qualities of high grade seeds as this season, and we will again be able to give to the trade our usual high standards of Wisconsin grown Red Clover, Alsike and Timothy Seeds.

In Alfalfa we have again made a specialty of Montana and Idaho grown seeds. Our buyers have been on the spot early and have secured a large quantity of excellent seed. Our own tests as well as tests we just received from Madison and the Washington Agricultural Departments show an unusually high percentage of purity and germination.

On Corn we will again be leaders for high bred stock. All our growers have now made reports, which show the crop to be a big yield and in splendid condition. One of our largest growers reports to us as follows: "All varieties are in very good shape, especially the Teweles White and Teweles Yellow Dent have matured well and have also dried in excellent condition. These two varieties are bound to be the coming corn, as they both are heavy yielders and ripen early." This speaks for itself.

In contracting our supplies of the different seeds, the first consideration with us has always been quality, and we have spared neither time nor expense to procure the very highest qualities obtainable. In addition to this, our plant being equipped with the latest style of modern seed cleaning machines, our seeds are recleaned to as high a degree of cleanliness as it is possible to make them.

As we have all our seeds tested, either in our own laboratory, or by our State and National testing stations, we are at all times prepared to state purity and growth for information.

We are now ready to quote corn for future delivery. Also glad to mail samples and prices of anything you may need in our line.

Below we give you our view of the crop conditions as we see them at the present time.

Thanking you for past favors and always glad to hear from you, we remain,

Yours respectfully,

L. TEWELES & CO.

RED CLOVER:

No old stocks carried over from last year. Conditions this year are very peculiar. Wisconsin for instance, while not having a large crop compared with former years, has raised more than last year. While some of our banner Red Clover Seed counties have almost a total failure, other sections in the State have a very bountiful crop. Minnesota has a little larger crop than last year, while Iowa, Indiana and Ohio crops are about the same as last season.

Michigan and Illinois have less seed than last year. Canada has also considerable less. The far West has a fair crop this season, nice colored seed, but very weedy.

Last season about 225,000 sacks of Clover Seed were imported from Europe. This condition will not prevail this season, as Europe has but very little seed for export, although shortly after harvest quite a liberal quantity was purchased by some of our American seed houses.

Great Britain, which had a good crop last year, has a very poor crop this year. France, Germany, Belgium and Holland and the Scandinavian countries have very poor crops this season.

Italy has a good crop and most of it has been marketed. Russian reports are scattering, but at best will not have over 25 per cent. of last year's crop.

Qualities as a whole are far below the average, owing to excessive rains at time of harvest, although there will be limited quantities of choice seed, which no doubt will bring a big premium.

We look for a good trade at higher values.

ALSYKE:

Our Wisconsin crop is about 50 per cent. of last year's. These conditions also prevail in Indiana and Ohio. Michigan has a very poor crop. Canada has a much smaller crop than last season. The European crop is also a small one. High prices are prevailing, with small stocks everywhere.

WHITE CLOVER:

Wisconsin has the smallest crop on record, practically a total failure. The European crop is also small.

ALFALFA:

Crop as a whole is a little smaller than last year, especially in Montana and Idaho. Prices will be fairly reasonable.

TIMOTHY:

None carried over to speak of from last season, but still we see this year the lowest prices that prevailed for many years, owing to big crops in the large Timothy producing sections of this country, and also a large acreage and big yields in states that usually do not save much Timothy for seed, namely, in Ohio and Indiana. Canada has also a very good crop. Europe has a fair crop, but has purchased a large quantity from this country. Present prices are down to a speculative basis.

RED TOP, ORCHARD, BLUE GRASS, RYE GRASS and other Light Grasses:

Large crop, very much lower prices than last year.

FLAX:

The crop in this country as well as in Argentine is a large one, and low prices are prevailing.

PEAS:

White Field Peas are very scarce this season, as the crop was a very small one and prices are high.

The Green and Scotch varieties fared better than the Whites, as the crop is a large one and prices are reasonable.

SEED CORN:

While the corn crop is large this season, a big percentage of it will be unfit for seed purposes, owing to the corn containing too much moisture, which will show a low germination.

Growers who had not the proper facilities to house their corn after harvest, as did our growers, will find the same in most cases unfit for seed purposes.

